

WHERE ARE YOU Christmas?



IN SEARCH OF THE REDEEMER

Luke 2:21-38

We welcome you to worship at Concord today as we begin our annual rush to Christmas. It is certainly our desire that in the midst of this busy time of celebrating a birthday we not forget the One who was born. Christmas is all about Christ no matter how we may tend to push Him aside.

Our theme this Christmas season is "Where are you Christmas?" You may recognize that song from Dr. Seuss' "How the Grinch Stole Christmas". I am afraid there are many Grinches attempting to steal the attention away from our Savior. We cannot allow that. We begin our series with a focus on "In Search of a Redeemer". Along with some clear principles from God's word, we will be observing the Lord's Supper this morning.

Simeon and Anna were two of the first believers that recognized the Redeemer. They had been looking for Him and Luke 2:1-38 records that they found Him. Modern man finds it difficult to find a Redeemer. What are the factors involved in finding our Redeemer?

- I. _____ – Simeon and Anna waited a long time.
This was no _____ search.
- II. _____ – They had some basic facts.
They _____ the Scripture.
- III. _____ – They needed to be in the right place.
Where would a Jewish baby ultimately be found?
- IV. _____ – The Holy Spirit must open eyes.
They recognized Him because of the Holy Spirit.

All year long we want people to seek and find the Redeemer. May God use us as we help others find the true meaning, message and Messiah of Christmas.

Your Servant in Christ,
Bro. Monte